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In re Application of:

FRIESEN et al.

) Group Art Unit: 1641

Application No.: 09/820,974

) Examiner: Christopher L. Chin

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

Applicants now submit an Amendment. Examiner Chin informed Paul Barker on September 30, 2003, that the format of the Amendment submitted on December 23, 2002 ("December 2002 Amendment") was improper. Thus, Applicants now submit a new Amendment in the proper format that repeats much of the content of the December 2002 Amendment. Because four subsequent responses were filed between the December 2002 Amendment and this Amendment, there are some small differences between this Amendment and the December 2002 Amendment. Applicants have noted those differences in the Remarks section. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections. Please amend the application as follows.

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